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Response to Final Office Action dated September 24, 2004

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Applicant(s): Thomas C. Meiller et al. ) Examiner: K. McHenry  
Serial No.: 09/696,988 ) Art Unit: 1725  
Filed: October 26, 2000 )  
For: HYDROCARBON BLEED EMISSION )  
SCRUBBER WITH LOW RESTRICTION )

### AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Final Office Action dated September 24, 2004, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which  
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**Remarks** begin on page 14 of this paper.

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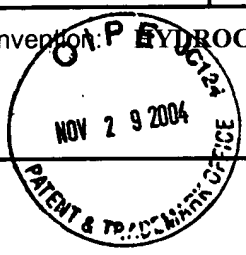
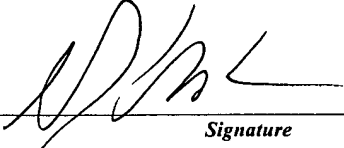
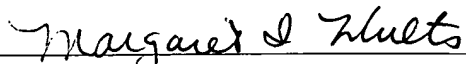
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